

CLAIMS

1. A high-strength bolted connection structure with no fire protection, the high-strength bolted connection structure having the fire resistance of a steel structure comprising columns and/or beams, characterized in that ultra-high-strength bolts having a bolt tensile strength (TS) at room temperature of 1200 N/mm<sup>2</sup> or higher and excellent fire resistance with a bolt shear proof stress (btt) at 650°C satisfying the relation <1> below, are used:

$$btt \geq \mu \times N_0 / (v \times bAs) \quad <1>$$

where btt : bolt shear proof stress at high temperature (N/mm<sup>2</sup>)

$$btt = TSt / \sqrt{3}$$

TSt : tensile strength of the bolts at high temperature (N/mm<sup>2</sup>)

$\mu$  : coefficient of slip at room temperature

$N_0$  : design bolt tension (N)

$v$  : safety factor for long-term load

bAs : cross-sectional area of bolt shank (mm<sup>2</sup>).

2. A high-strength bolted connection structure with no fire protection according to claim 1, wherein, in said high-strength bolted connection structure, the long term allowable shear force (Qs) of said beam at room temperature satisfies the relation <2> below:

$$Qs \leq \{ns \times bt + (nf - ns) \times btt\} \times bAs \quad <2>$$

where Qs : long term allowable shear force of the beam at room temperature (N)

$$Qs = fs \times Ab$$

fs : long term allowable shear proof stress of the beam (N/mm<sup>2</sup>)

Ab : cross-sectional area (mm<sup>2</sup>)

ns : number of tension bolts in the floor slab on upper flange side of the beam

bt : shear proof stress of bolt at room temperature  
(N/mm<sup>2</sup>)

$$bt = TS/\sqrt{3}$$

5 TS : tensile strength of bolt at room temperature  
(N/mm<sup>2</sup>)

nf : number of tension bolts on the upper flange  
side of the beam

btt : shear proof stress of bolt at high temperature  
(N/mm<sup>2</sup>)

10  $btt = TSt/\sqrt{3}$

TSt : tensile strength of bolt at high temperature  
(N/mm<sup>2</sup>)

bAs : cross-sectional area of bolt shank (mm<sup>2</sup>).

3. A high-strength bolted connection structure  
15 with no fire protection according to claim 1 or 2,  
wherein said high-strength bolted connection structure is  
composed of sets of a high-strength bolt, a nut, and a  
washer, and joint metals, and wherein said nut and washer  
are a general structural hexagon nut and a structural  
20 high strength plain washer for which no fire resistance  
is provided.

4. A high-strength bolted connection structure  
with no fire protection according to claim 1 or 2,  
wherein said high-strength bolted connection structure is  
25 composed of sets of high strength bolt, a nut, and a  
washer, and joint metals, and wherein a part or all of  
said joint metals are formed of steel material having an  
assured high-temperature strength.

5. A high-strength bolted connection structure  
30 with no fire protection according to claim 1 or 2,  
wherein, in said high-strength bolted connection  
structure, a part or all of said columns and/or beams  
used are formed of steel material having an assured high  
temperature strength.

35 6. A high-strength bolted connection structure  
with no fire protection according to claim 1 or 2,

wherein said high-strength bolt is a ultra-high-strength bolt which contains, in % by weight, C: 0.30 ~ 0.45%, Si: less than 0.10%, Mn: more than 0.40% ~ less than 1.00%, P: less than 0.010%, S: 0.010% or less, Cr: 0.5% or more ~ less than 1.5%, Mo: more than 0.35% ~ less than 1.5%, V: more than 0.3% ~ 1.0% or less, with the balance being Fe and unavoidable impurities, and which has excellent fire resistance and resistance to delayed fracture such that following relations <3>, <4> are satisfied:

$$TS \leq (1.1 \times T + 850) \quad <3>$$

$$TS \leq (550 \times Ceq + 1000) \quad <4>$$

where TS : tensile strength of the high strength bolt at room temperature (N/mm<sup>2</sup>)

T : tempering temperature (°C)

Ceq : carbon equivalent (%)

$$Ceq = C + (Mn/6) + (Si/24) + (Ni/40) + (Cr/5) + (Mo/4) + (V/14).$$

7. A high-strength bolted connection structure with no fire protection according to claim 3, wherein said high-strength bolt is an ultra-high-strength bolt which contains, in % by weight, C: 0.30 ~ 0.45%, Si: less than 0.10%, Mn: more than 0.40% ~ less than 1.00%, P: less than 0.010%, S: 0.010% or less, Cr: 0.5% or more ~ less than 1.5%, Mo: more than 0.35% ~ less than 1.5%, V: more than 0.3% ~ 1.0% or less, with the balance being Fe and unavoidable impurities, and which has excellent fire resistance and resistance to delayed fracture such that following relations <3>, <4> are satisfied:

$$TS \leq (1.1 \times T + 850) \quad <3>$$

$$TS \leq (550 \times Ceq + 1000) \quad <4>$$

where TS : tensile strength of the high strength bolt at room temperature (N/mm<sup>2</sup>)

T : tempering temperature (°C)

Ceq : carbon equivalent (%)

$$\text{Ceq} = \text{C} + (\text{Mn}/6) + (\text{Si}/24) + (\text{Ni}/40) + (\text{Cr}/5) + (\text{Mo}/4) + (\text{V}/14).$$

5        8. A high-strength bolted connection structure  
with no fire protection according to claim 4, wherein  
said high-strength bolt is an ultra-high-strength bolt  
which contains, in % by weight, C: 0.30 ~ 0.45%, Si: less  
than 0.10%, Mn: more than 0.40% ~ less than 1.00%, P:  
less than 0.010%, S: 0.010% or less, Cr: 0.5% or more ~  
10      less than 1.5%, Mo: more than 0.35% ~ less than 1.5%, V:  
more than 0.3% ~ 1.0% or less, with the balance being Fe  
and unavoidable impurities, and which has excellent fire  
resistance and resistance to delayed fracture such that  
following relations <3>, <4> are satisfied:

15             $\text{TS} \leq (1.1 \times \text{T} + 850) \quad <3>$

$$\text{TS} \leq (550 \times \text{Ceq} + 1000) \quad <4>$$

where TS : tensile strength of the high strength bolt at  
room temperature (N/mm<sup>2</sup>)

T : tempering temperature (°C)

20            Ceq : carbon equivalent (%)

$$\text{Ceq} = \text{C} + (\text{Mn}/6) + (\text{Si}/24) + (\text{Ni}/40) + (\text{Cr}/5) + (\text{Mo}/4) + (\text{V}/14).$$

25        9. A high-strength bolted connection structure  
with no fire protection according to claim 5, wherein  
said high-strength bolt is an ultra-high-strength bolt  
which contains, in % by weight, C: 0.30 ~ 0.45%, Si: less  
than 0.10%, Mn: more than 0.40% ~ less than 1.00%, P:  
less than 0.010%, S: 0.010% or less, Cr: 0.5% or more ~  
less than 1.5%, Mo: more than 0.35% ~ less than 1.5%, V:  
30      more than 0.3% ~ 1.0% or less, with the balance being Fe  
and unavoidable impurities, and which has excellent fire  
resistance and resistance to delayed fracture such that  
following relations <3>, <4> are satisfied:

$$TS \leq (1.1 \times T + 850) \quad <3>$$

$$TS \leq (550 \times Ceq + 1000) \quad <4>$$

where TS : tensile strength of the high strength bolt at  
room temperature (N/mm<sup>2</sup>)

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T : tempering temperature (°C)

Ceq : carbon equivalent (%)

$$Ceq = C + (Mn/6) + (Si/24) + (Ni/40) + (Cr/5) + (Mo/4) + (V/14).$$